



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: July 28, 2009

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Engineering Division, Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Accept Highway Bridge Program Grant Funding For The Cabrillo Bridge Replacement Project

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council accept Highway Bridge Program grant funding in the amount of \$734,259, and increase estimated revenue and appropriations in this amount in the Fiscal Year 2010 Streets Fund Budget.

BACKGROUND:

The Cabrillo Boulevard Bridge Replacement Project (Project) will replace the existing structurally deficient bridge over Mission Creek, located in the Santa Barbara Waterfront, at the intersection of State and Cabrillo Streets, directly adjacent to Stearns Wharf.

The Project is part of the Highway Bridge Program (HBP) administered and funded by the State via the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The Project includes the improvement of the hydraulic conveyance and restoration and rehabilitation of the deteriorated retaining walls and creek banks of Mission Creek, from State Street to approximately 160 feet downstream from Cabrillo Boulevard. The work is in compliance with the Lower Mission Creek Feasibility Report from September 2000 and the accompanying Environmental Impact Study/Environmental Impact Report done by the Army Corp of Engineers and approved by Council on November 30, 2001. The Project is currently in final design and the right of way acquisition stage.

DISCUSSION:

On February 18, 2009, FHWA authorized an additional \$800,000 in grant funds for the Preliminary Engineering phase of the Project. To date, the total grant funds authorized for the Project is \$2,484,259. However, prior grant fund appropriations by City Council action for the Project total only \$1,750,000. The recommended additional \$734,259 appropriation will increase the total grant appropriation to match the total federal authorization.

City funds that are already budgeted will provide the matching funds required to complete this phase of the Project.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

A summary of previous Federal Highway Administration grant fund authorizations and City grant appropriations is presented in the table below:

FHWA Authorizations		City Appropriations	
Date	Amount	Date	Amount
8/10/04	\$776,000	6/22/03	\$500,000
2/09/07	\$424,000	6/22/05	\$500,000
9/15/08	\$484,259	6/25/07	\$750,000
2/18/09	\$800,000		
Total:	\$2,484,259	Total:	\$1,750,000
Difference between FHWA Authorization and City Appropriations (amount of this Appropriation Request)			\$734,259

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